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Dear Candidate

Thank you very much for expressing an interest in the position of Head of Geography Department at Hatch End High School.

Hatch End High School has a successful and experienced Geography department and has always been a popular option choice at both GCSE and A Level. We are looking to appoint an inspirational and dynamic Head of Geography with the drive and determination to really build on our current successes and continue to ensure the best possible outcomes for our young people. This is a key appointment and represents an excellent opportunity for an exceptional practitioner looking for progression and curriculum leader responsibility.

As the world becomes increasingly globalised, few subjects can claim to be more relevant or applicable to twenty-first century citizens of the planet than Geography. Our aim at Hatch End High School is to stimulate wonder for and appreciation of the world we live in. Students are given the opportunity to analyse the complex interactions between places and people, engage critically with real world issues, and apply their own geographical knowledge and understanding to make sense of the world around them.

We are using evidence informed practice to support our pupils to "know more and remember more" and reflect on our curriculum offer regularly to ensure we are developing our students' sense of place and enabling them to draw on their own personal geographies. In addition to the development of the curriculum, the department prides itself on the extra-curricular activities and fieldwork opportunities offered to our students.

Hatch End High School is a warm, vibrant and stimulating place to work. We are a lead school in teacher training and regularly welcome many trainees from the highly acclaimed TeachFirst Programme. Continuing professional development is at the core of everything we do, and you would be joining an organisation which believes that our teachers and middle leaders form the engine room of any school's success. All teachers are encouraged to pursue a wide range of professional development and we play a key role in a highly successful Teaching School Alliance. You would receive outstanding support from a dynamic Senior Leadership Team and be offered numerous opportunities to grow in the school's success.

Our website has comprehensive information on the many fantastic opportunities at the school and would urge you to read this before applying, particularly our ["Your Career at Hatch End High School" prospectus](#). If you would like to discuss the role informally before submitting an application, please do not hesitate to contact hr@hatchend.harrow.sch.uk.

I very much look forward to reading your application.

Very best wishes.

Ms S Maguire
Headteacher